

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General laws, Chapter 30A, Section 20, notice is hereby given for the following meeting of the:

***Arlington School Committee
Curriculum Instruction Accountability and Assessment
Monday, April 7, 2025
3:30 PM***

In person:

*Arlington Public Schools District Office
14 Mill Brook Drive
2nd Floor, Superintendent's Office
Arlington, MA 02476*

Via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89762700457>

Open Meeting (J. Morgan)

April 2025 SST Presentation

- *April 2025 CIAA Subcommittee SST Presentation*

New Business

Old Business

Approval of Minutes

- *Minutes for Approval 1-17-2025*
- *Minutes for Approval 3-12-2025*

Adjournment (J. Morgan)

The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair, which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Stated times and time amounts, listed in parenthesis, are the estimated amount of time for that particular agenda item. Actual times may be shorter or longer depending on the time needed to fully explore the topic.

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Town of Arlington, Massachusetts

Meeting Location - Hybrid

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ATTACHMENTS:

Type	File Name	Description
▢ Report	April_2025_CIAA_Subcommittee_SST_Presentation.pdf	April 2025 CIAA Subcommittee SST Presentation

Student Support Teams in APS



CIAA SubCommittee Meeting
April 7, 2025

Agenda

1. Overview of Student Support Teams in APS
2. SST in APS: Overview
3. SST in APS: Team Structure
4. Next Steps

SSTs in APS



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Education That Empowers

Overview

SSTs operate as a structure comprised of various stakeholders in a school community that assemble to review progress of students and create a response plan to support students.



SSTs in APS

Team Structure (generally):

- Principal
- Assistant Principal
- Math or ELA Coach
- Interventionist
- Social Worker
- Specialist
- Other applicable service providers
- Presenting teacher



SST Process

Frequency of Meetings:

- Weekly
- Bi-Weekly
- Bi-Monthly
- Every 6-8 weeks
- As Needed



SST Process

Concerns Brought to SST (generally):

- Academic
- Behavior
- Social/Emotional
- Health
- Chronic Absenteeism



SST Process

Impact:

Most school leaders say the process is impactful.

- 3 out of 10 - Maybe
- 7 out of 10 - Yes
- 0 out of 10 - No

SST Process

Yes:

- Led to developing additional interventions for students.
- Collaboration with staff with new perspectives and/or additional tools.
- Staff review of student data, identification of trends which led to improvement.
- *“...we often see student success after we meet.”*
- *“...presenters have come with evidence of their work with...students who are not progressing...made brainstorming about possible next steps and strategies a lot more manageable.”*



SST Process

Maybe:

- Standard measure of impact does not exist yet (observational data used)
- Student progress in pull out settings and classroom settings
- Impact of pulling classroom teachers
- Student referral data



SST Process

Evidence of Impact:

- Teacher feedback
- Increased services to students provided
- Student growth
- Student improvement in target areas
- More targeted matching of supports and interventions through a collaborative process

Next Steps

- Continue to build shared understanding of MTSS (update DCAP)
- Common expectations around practices, processes and structures district wide (systematic structures, expectations)
- Individual school needs assessment (June 2025)
- Student Services Review Recommendations (Spring 2025)
- Explore data tracking and sharing system (Summer 2025)
- Home-School Connection (Ongoing)



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📎	Minutes	3.12.25_-_Google_Docs.pdf	3.12.25 - Google Docs

Arlington School Committee
Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment & Accountability Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes

Friday, January 17, 2025 @ 3:00 p.m.

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Attendance

Subcommittee Members: Jane Morgan (Chair), Len Kardon

School Committee Members: Paul Schlichtman, Laura Gitelson, Kirsi Allison-Ampe

District Leadership: Liz Homan, Mona Ford Walker

Community: four community members were present but we didn't list

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

AHS Program of Studies

- The subcommittee reviewed the program of studies and provided feedback to the Superintendent.

Competency Determination

- The subcommittee reviewed the competency determination and provided feedback to the Superintendent

Approve Meeting Minutes

- Meeting minutes from 12.18.24 were approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Arlington School Committee
Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment & Accountability Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 12, 2025 @ 1:30 p.m.
DRAFT

Attendance

Subcommittee Members: Jane Morgan (Chair), Len Kardon, Liz Exton
School Committee Members: Paul Schlichtman,
District Leadership: Liz Homan, Rob Spiegel

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

Job Descriptions

- The subcommittee reviewed a job description for a shared administrative assistant between the Superintendent, the Deputy Superintendent and the School Committee and provided feedback to the Superintendent.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.



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Adjournment (J. Morgan)